Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, December 12th, 1882.

The Board of Aldermen met last night in the Council Chamber, Mayor Meredith in the chair, and Ald. Pritchard, Hunt, Birrel, Murray, O'Meara, Jones, Taylor, Skinnir, Beattie, Fergusen, Higgins, Browne, Buckle, Peel, Beyd, Sharman, Macbeth, Beecher, Minhinnick and Hyman being present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and

Ald. Browne moved, seconded by Ald. Higgins, that the minutes of the last meeting of the Council be not confirmed owing to the illegal manner in which the by-laws were passed, not being in accordance with the by-laws governing this Council, and that they be reconsidered after the report of committees are passed.

The reason for this action, he said, was that members having seats at the Board were personally interested in the matter. The names given to him were Ald. Birrell, Hyman and Crawford.

Ald. Birrell stated that he and the other gentlemen had resigned from the Board of Directors long since, and when Ald. Browne made a statement to the contrary he stated that which was not true.

Mayor Meredith did not think the motion had anything to do with the minutes, as all that was before them was whether the minutes were a correct record of the proceedings of the last meeting.

Ald. Browne held that the resolution was perfectly in order.

Ald. Skinner was of the same opinion.

Ald. Macbeth raised a point of order. He thought the resolution was not in order.

Ald. Browne said it was unfair to hold the members of the Council responsible for the illegal acts of the majority.

Ald. Birrell pointed out that there was no stock subscribed in the railway company, and the Directors were no more interested than the citizens at large.

Ald. Pritchard thought the motion made by Ald. Browne was quite in order.

Ald. Hunt had seen the signatures of the directors named.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From F. Zimmerman, asking for a remission of taxes. No. 1.

From Mrs. Honore Kennedy, complaining of over-assessment on her property, Clarence street. No. 1.

From C. J. Breuse, complaining against assessment on income. No. 1.

From R. Kirkpatrick, stating that he had paid his statute labor tax in Westminster, and thought that he should not be assessed in the city. No. 1.

From J. F. Sherlock, appealing against being assessed on his income. No. 1.

From Wm. Regan, Mrs Toohey, James Long, J. J. Gauld, Alonzo Lucas, John Shepland, Mrs Hannafin and J. A. Moorehouse, claiming remission of taxes. No. 1.

Account from John B. Smyth, sundries, $——. No. 1.

From the Women's Christian Association, asking for a grant of money for relief purposes. No. 3.

From Thomas Maylan, against water tax. Granted.

From A. Coote, asking for a license to carry on a livery stable for the remainder of the year. No. 3

BY-BAWS

were read providing for dividing the city into polling sub-divisions, and for appointing Returning Officers and polling places; also for establishing a southern wood market.

The by-laws were read three times and passed, the following sub-divisions and returning officers being inserted in the one providing for their appointment:—

First Ward — The first following subdivision shall consist of that part of the ward lying between Dundas and King streets; polling place, City Hall; E. Glackmeyer, returning officer; (2) that part of the ward lying between King and Bathurst streets; polling place, Robert Summer's office, York street; John Bonser, returning officer; (3) that part of the ward lying between Bathurst and Simcoe streets; polling place, Horton street school house; J. M. Keary, returning officer; (4) that part of the ward lying south of Simcoe street; polling place, Gray street, residence of Geo. Quinton; G. E. Evans, returning officer.

Second Ward—First polling subdivision, that part of the ward described as follows:—